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LEBANESE COMPLAINT

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN  
MINISTER ABOUHAMAD:

2. QUOTE

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

WE HAVE ALL JUST BEEN THROUGH A DIFFICULT WEEK OF  
CONSULTATIONS IN OUR TWO CAPITALS AND IN NEW YORK ON  
THE SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE. I WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH  
MY COLLEAGUES AND I APPRECIATE THE SPIRIT OF GOOD WILL AND  
COOPERATION SHOWN BY YOUR GOVERNMENT AND ITS REPRESENTA-  
TIVES HERE AND IN NEW YORK, AMBASSADORS KABBANI AND

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GHORRA, IN OUR MUTUAL EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE AN OUTCOME CONSONANT WITH THE GOOD RELATIONS WHICH EXIST BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

3. AS YOU KNOW, THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT CONDONE VIOLATIONS OF SOVEREIGNTY, SUCH AS THE RECENT ISRAELI ATTACK ON LEBANON, JUST AS IT DOES NOT CONDONE VIOLENCE FROM OTHER SOURCES. WE WERE PREPARED TO SUPPORT A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD HAVE CONTAINED A BALANCED CONDEMNATION OF ALL ACTS OF TERRORISM AND MILITARY ATTACKS. THE RESOLUTION WHICH FINALLY EMERGED FELL SHORT OF GIVING GROUNDS FOR THE UNANIMITY WE WOULD BOTH HAVE PREFERRED, BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE ARRANGEMENT WHICH WAS REACHED PROTECTS THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES, WITHOUT DAMAGE TO OUR RELATIONS. THE FACT THAT WE WERE ABLE TO WORK SO CLOSELY TOGETHER AND WITH SUCH GOOD UNDERSTANDING IS PROOF, IF ANY WERE REQUIRED, OF THE VALUE BOTH THE UNITED STATES AND LEBANON ATTACH TO EACH OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP.

SINCERELY,

WILLIAM P. ROGERS

UNQUOTE. PORTER

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